

Feminist icon turns 70



■ **1939:** ***Germaine Greer*** born January 29, in Melbourne, Australia

■ **1956-63:** Gains university degrees at Melbourne and Sydney, where she joins radical leftist group ***Sydney Push***

■ **1964:** Moves to UK to do doctorate at Cambridge

■ **1970:** Publishes ***The Female Eunuch*** – worldwide bestseller establishes Greer at forefront of Women's Liberation movement

■ **1984-99:** Ideas developed in later books including ***Sex and Destiny*** and ***The Whole Woman***

■ **2005:** Walked out of UK TV show ***Celebrity Big Brother*** after six days

■ **2006:** Attracted fury in Australia for critical comments following death of naturalist ***Steve Irwin***

■ **2009:** Looks forward to old age, saying: *"Life is now too short for any activity that isn't rewarding"*